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# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

31 JULY 1961  
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### SPECIAL ITEM

The 185 page draft "Program for the Construction of a Communist Society," to be presented by Khrushchev at the 22nd Party Congress in October, makes the following main points:

1. The present epoch is one of the "destruction of imperialism" and the creation of Communism in "world-wide measure." The US, the main stronghold of capitalism, has "entered into the era of sunset."

2. Peaceful coexistence of socialist and capitalist states is an "objective necessity" for the development of human society. "The important thing is to ward off a thermonuclear war." The great objectives of the working class can be realized without world war.

3. The CPSU considers it necessary to maintain the defense capacity of the USSR at a level which insures full defeat of any enemy daring to attack the USSR. One-man leadership is a most important principle in the Soviet armed forces.

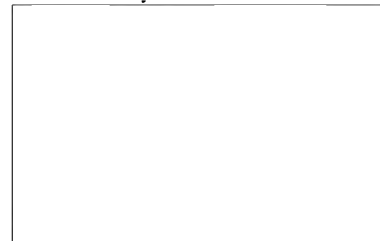
4. Revisionism is the chief danger within the Communist movement today--this is most fully embodied in Yugoslavia's program. Another danger is dogmatism and sectarianism, which cannot be reconciled with a creative development of revolutionary theory.

5. The cult of the individual and violations of collective leadership are incompatible with Leninist principles. "During every ordinary election" the composition of the Central Committee will be renewed by not less than one-fourth. Members of the presidium are elected for not longer than three successive convocations, but there can be exceptions.

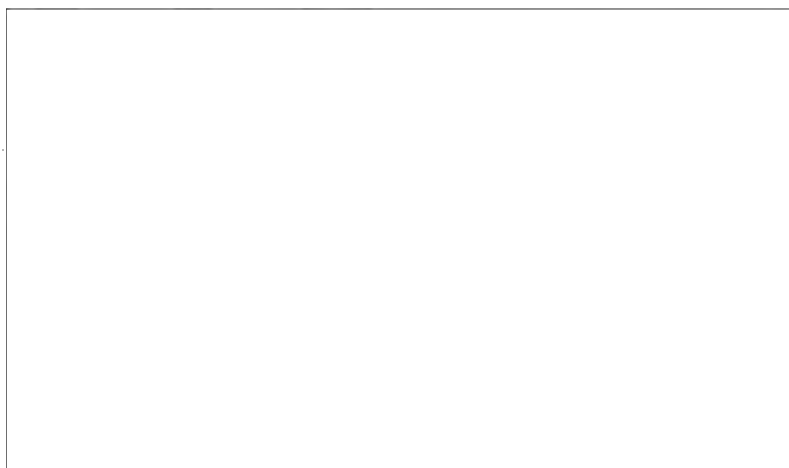
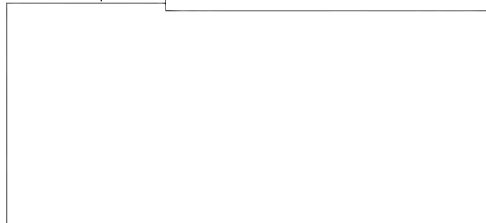
6. Industrial output will increase by 150 percent by 1971; by 500 percent by 1980. By 1980 more than half the income of the USSR will be distributable in the form of free goods and services-- by this time the material and technical basis of Communism will be created. The present generation of Soviet people shall live under Communism.

7. The Soviet state will survive until the complete victory of Communism.

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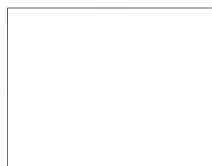


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2. Tunisian developments



a) De Gaulle told Stevenson that France would not be influenced by any UN resolution distasteful to it;

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b) French and Tunisian forces are reported to be preparing defenses and regrouping along Bizerte Lake, southwest of the city;

c) Tunisia continues to solicit aid in the form of materiel and technicians from friendly states;

d) Bourguiba has reportedly authorized the passage of arms for the Algerian rebels across the Libyan-Tunisian border.

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### 3. South-North Korean relations

The new South Korean government is engaged in an effort to enhance its international stature with a series of good will visits. The missions are engaged in explaining the recent revolt, in showing that the new government's accession to power was legal, and in forestalling if possible discussion of the Korean question at the UN. North Korea is trying to undercut this effort by sending delegations to the same areas to arrive before, or in some cases to coincide with, the South Korean visits.

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### 4. Congo developments

Gizenga supporters now seem to be in control of the lower house of the Congolese legislature by a small margin. Gizenga is still unsure of his chances of being personally included in the government and is worried about his personal security. Tshombé, who believes he may be able to control the minority faction in parliament, hopes to meet President Kasavubu in Brazzaville and to obtain concessions regarding Katanga's autonomy before agreeing to send legislators to Leopoldville.

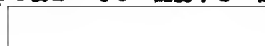
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5. **Chen Cheng contacted  
by mainland Communists  
before trip to US**



A letter from a Chinese Communist official warned Chen that the US is abandoning its support of Taipei's position, praised Chen's stand against "two China's", and suggested "collective opposition to the US." Peiping has used the private letter gambit before to try to corrode US-Nationalist relations but Chen and other Nationalists officials do not appear to have been impressed by them.



NOTES

- A. Refugee registration's in West Berlin on 28 and 29 July were 1,111 and 1,834 respectively, bringing the total thus far in July to over 26,000. The Ulbricht regime declared Saturday that the refugee flow made a peace treaty this year an "absolute necessity" and urged GDR citizens to help curb the flights.
- B. A Soviet test vehicle was successfully fired from Tyura Tam to Kamchatka Peninsula yesterday bringing the total of successful test vehicle launches this year to 14. Nine have failed in flight and three other firings were tried with undetermined results. This most recent launching was probably the second of a series of three tests of a "new ICBM" which Khrushchev revealed to McCloy on 26 July. The third in the series is to be launched on 7 August.
- C. The Trans-Siberian railroad has been closed to foreign travelers since 25 July with no reason given. The closing could be to improve security. We are trying to ascertain the real reason.
- D. The Laotian National Congress yesterday amended the constitution to permit the King to name himself premier of any new government or to designate some other choice in his place. Before the Congress' action, the Pathet Lao served notice it would not recognize the validity of the amendment.

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